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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply filed is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The applicant argues that the request for information was incomplete as the request failed to state why the requirement had been made and why the information would be necessary. The specification speaks to an "Invoice Processing System originally developed by U.S. Sprint". As the examiner does not have access to this system, its features or its components, no determination of patentability of the claims over this prior art is possible. The specification implies that the claimed subject matter is an improvement over this system. Thus, the information directed to this system is necessary to render an opinion of patentability under 102 and/or 103. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant and the assignee of this application are required under 37 CFR 1.105 to provide the following information that the examiner has determined is reasonably necessary to the examination of this application.


The fee and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 are waived for those documents submitted in reply to this requirement. This waiver extends only to those

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documents within the scope of this requirement under 37 CFR 1.105 that are included in the applicant's first complete communication responding to this requirement. Any supplemental replies subsequent to the first communication responding to this requirement and any information disclosures beyond the scope of this requirement under

37 CFR 1.105 are subject to the fee and certification requirements of 37 CFR 1.97.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Weisberger', written over a horizontal line.

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